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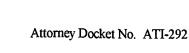
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## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Art Unit:

Re:

Application of:

David S. Breed, et. al.

Serial No.:

10/061,016

Confirmation No.:

8526

Filed:

January 30, 2002

For:

Apparatus and Method for Controlling a Vehicular

Component

## PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BASED ON APPLICANT'S AGE

Commissioner for Patents P.O.Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

October 16, 2003

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for Patents to make the above-referenced application special and thereby advance the examination of the application out of turn pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.102.

This petition is based on applicant's age, namely, an applicant, Mr. David S. Breed, was born on September 13, 1938 and is thus over 65 years of age. Attached is a copy of Mr. Breed's passport showing his birthday, and thus enables his age to be determined.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c), a fee is not due for this petition.

An early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

FOR THE APPLICANT Respectfully submitted.

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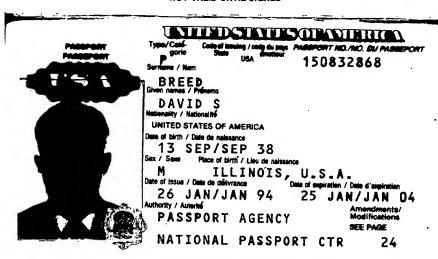
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